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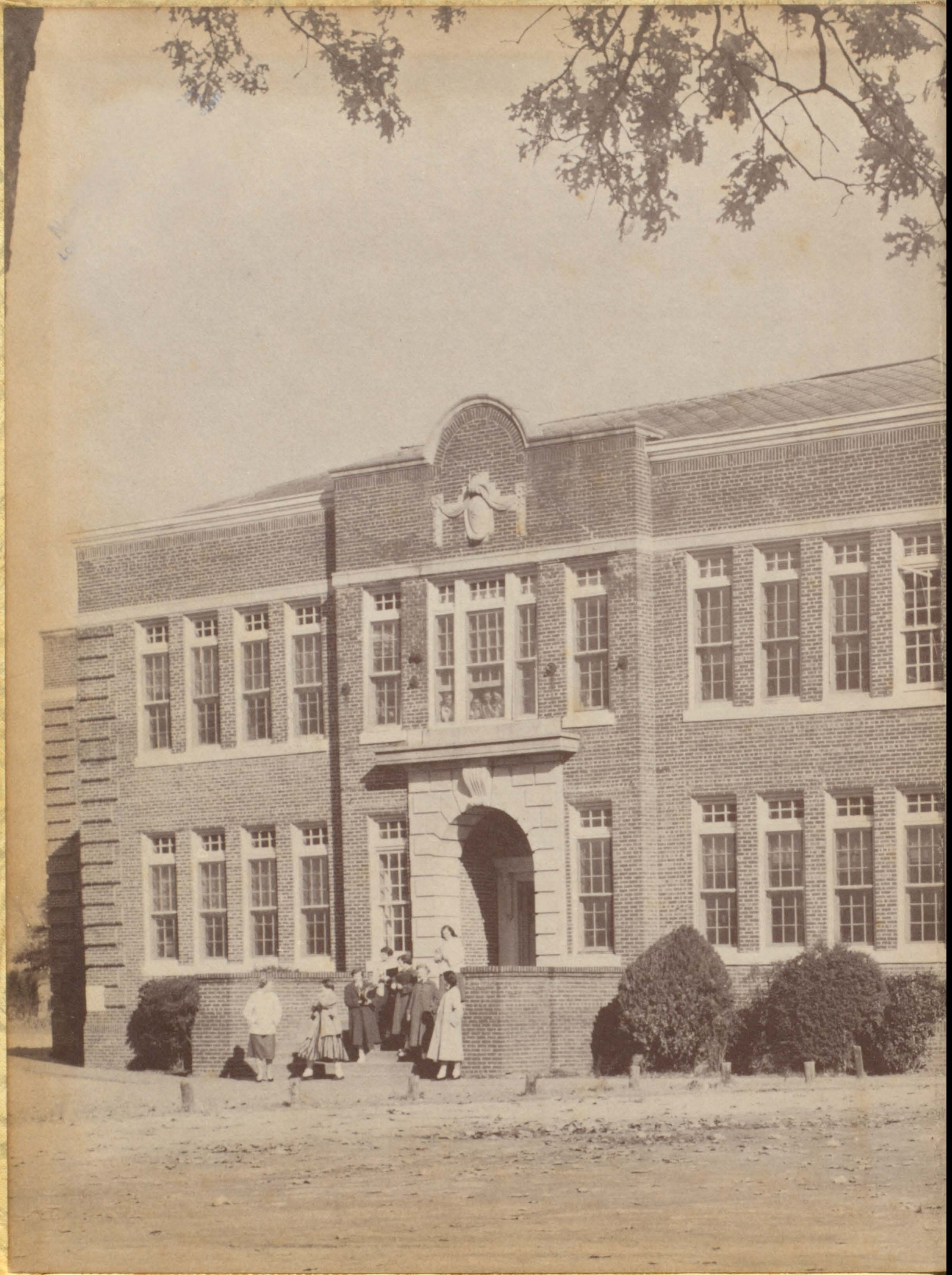

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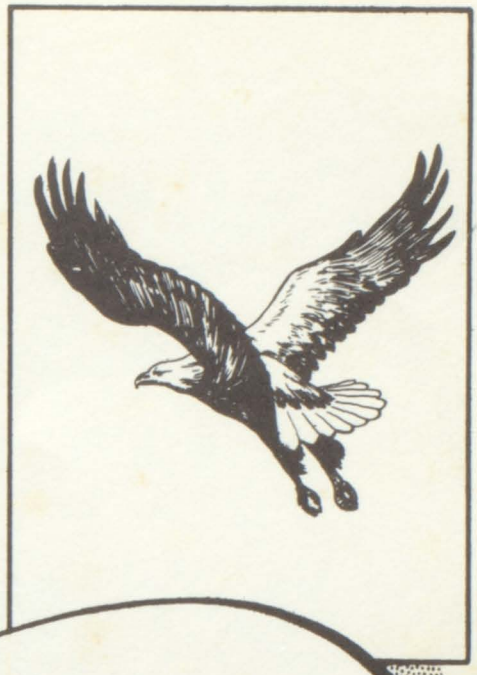

BELCHER HIGH SCHOOL

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Foreword

We the staff of the 1955 EAGLE--present to you a record in picture of the year's activities at Belcher School. We hope that this Annual will preserve for you, your school days to be remembered and enjoyed in years to come.

Its pages may yellow with age, but in your hearts the school days of your youth will live forever.

The Dedication

We dedicate the 1955 EAGLE to the Student Body. The dedication is simple but it is as it should be for you - the students - are the contents of this book. Your classes, activities, sports and favorites, fill the pages and give the EAGLE its purpose. Without you the pages would be blank for you are the life of the school and to you we dedicate this treasure of your youth.

The Staff

The Principal's Message

Dear Students,

It has been seven years now, of close association and friendship. There have been situations that were both serious and humorous that we have shared together. We have had a lot of just plain good times together.

Your school spirit, enthusiasm, and pride have given our school that atmosphere that is impossible to develop without the uniformity in close cooperation and support among each of you individually and in groups. This attitude has contributed very much to the success of our school.

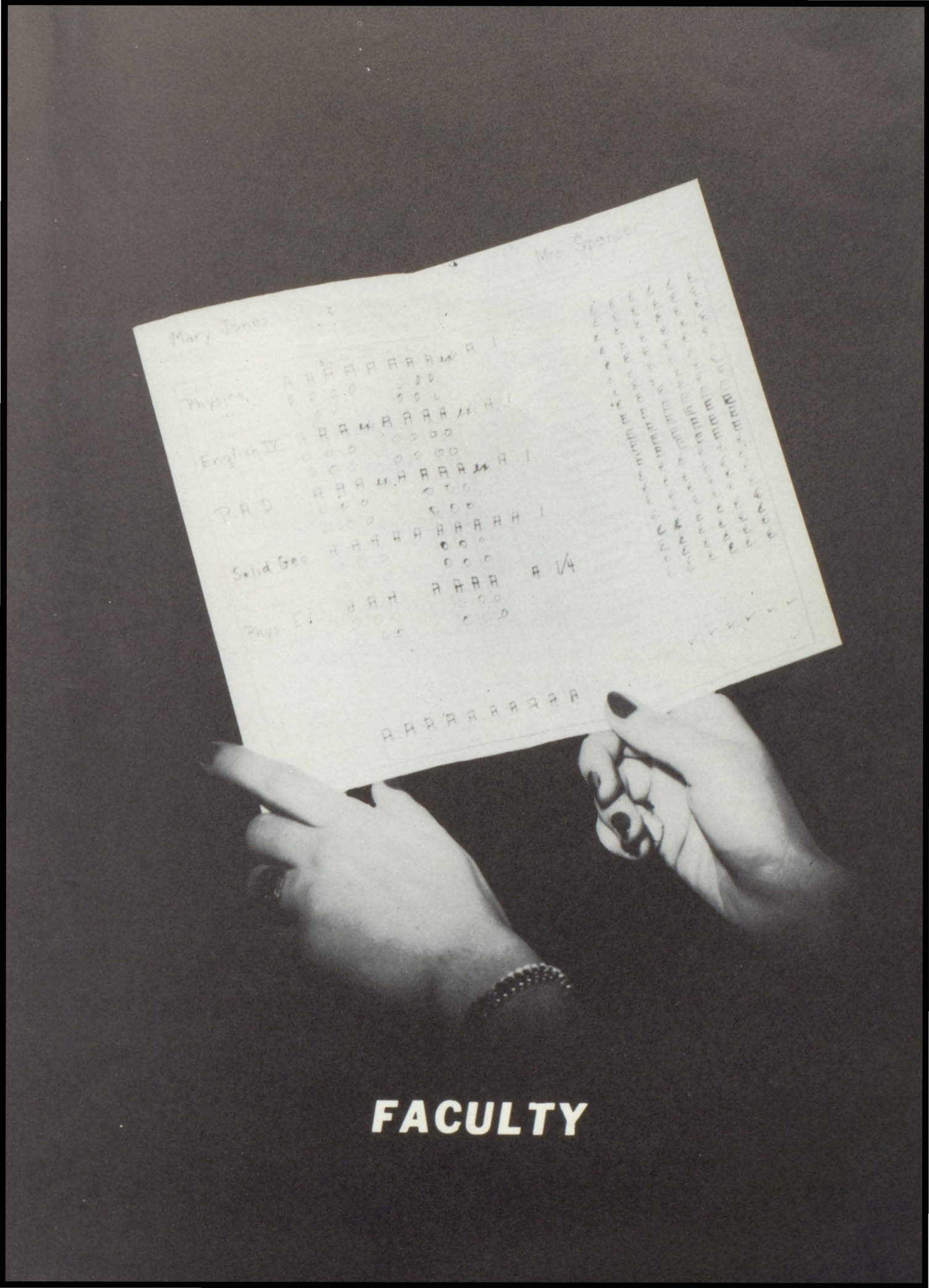
Personally, I am very proud. As long as our aims and objectives are kept before us, our efforts will continue to be even stronger.

Our inauguration of school-wide devotionals and programs of inspiration through the work of the Student Council, class groups, clubs, and organizations has assisted in giving to you a moral foundation that cannot be denied.

Best wishes to each and every one of you and may your efforts be ceaseless towards that of living your life in the only way - The Christian Way.

Yours truly,

Powell A. Layton


Mary Jones
Mrs Spencer
Physics
English IV
P.A.D
Solid Geo
Phys. Ed.

FACULTY

Faculty

POWELL A. LAYTON
Principal
B. S. and M. A.
Southwest Texas State
University of Texas

CATHERINE STINSON
First Grade
B. S., Centenary
Peabody College

JOANNE CLEMENTS
Second Grade
Northwestern B. A.

MATTIE STEPHENS
Third Grade
B. S., Centenary

DOROTHY WHITE
Fourth Grade
B. A., Louisiana

DOROTHY SMITH
Fifth Grade
B. A. and B. S.
University of Arkansas

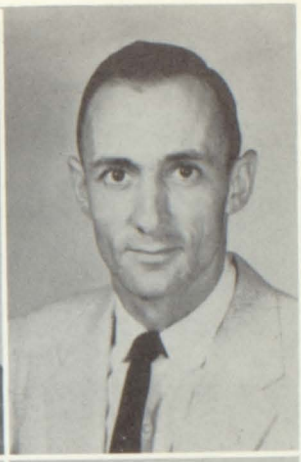
BEVERLY SELF
Sixth Grade
B. S., Centenary

PATSY WINKLER
Home Economics
Science
Physical Education
B. S., Northwestern

Joe, as a boy, has artistic talents to succeed will make it a pleasure. It has been a pleasure having you in classes. A. Gleason

Faculty

AMY GLEASON
Social Studies
B. A., Louisiana
Polytechnic Institute



DOUGLAS MOOTY
Physical Education
Math, Science
B. S., Centenary

Joe, may you reach your goals and find much happiness.
Barbara Gray

BARBARA GRAY
History, Librarian
B. A., Northwestern

MARY WYNN DIXON
Math
B. A., Centenary

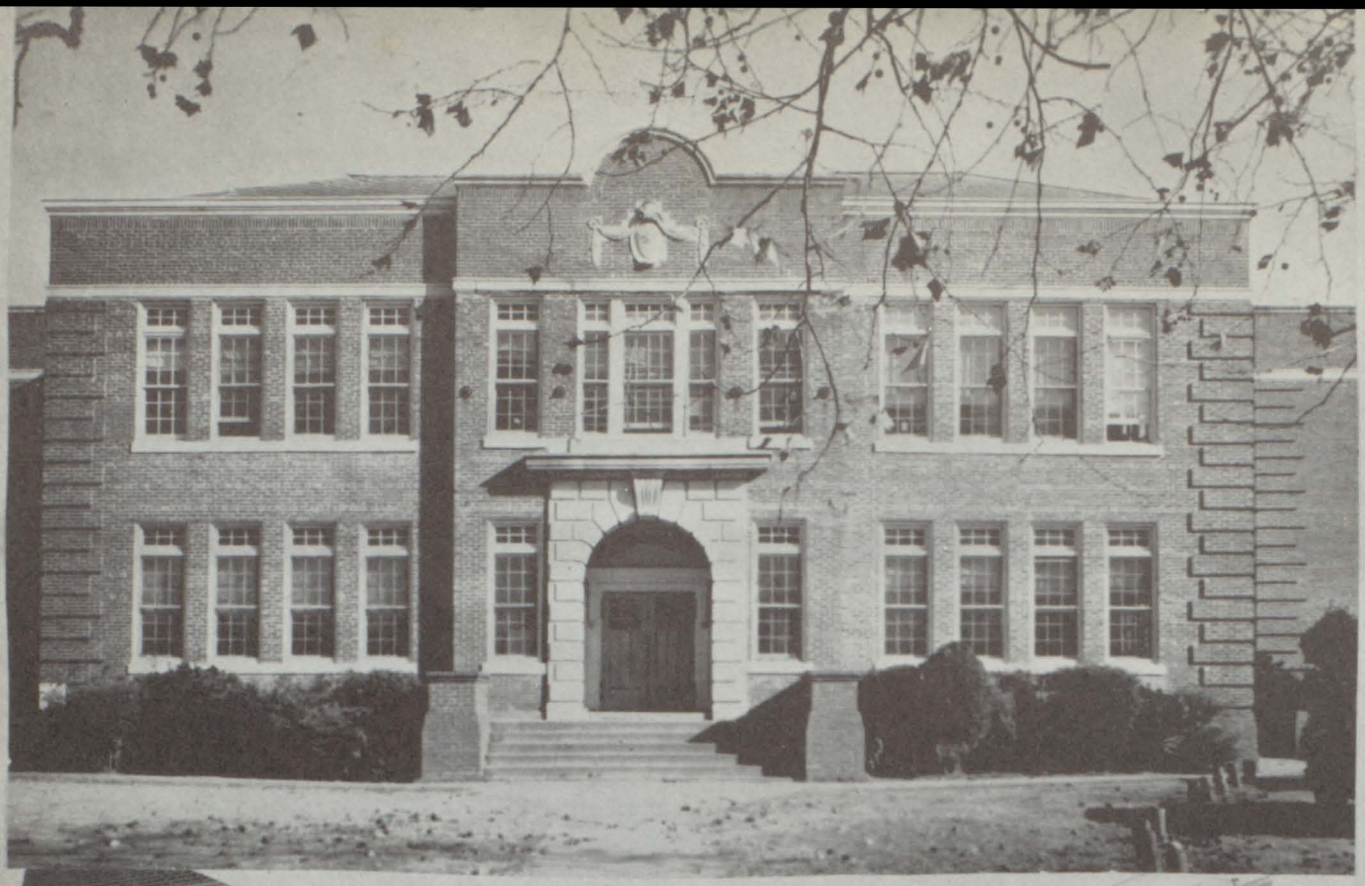
Knowing you and working with you have been really nice experiences, Joe. I just know you will be a — natch minister the very best of everything.
Janice Davidson

JANICE DAVIDSON
English
B. A., Louisiana
Polytechnic Institute

MAX ANN GARRETT
Choral Director
B. S., Northwestern

ELODIE CURRY
Piano, Voice
Silliman College
B. M., Louisiana
State University

VERA SELF
Cafeteria Director



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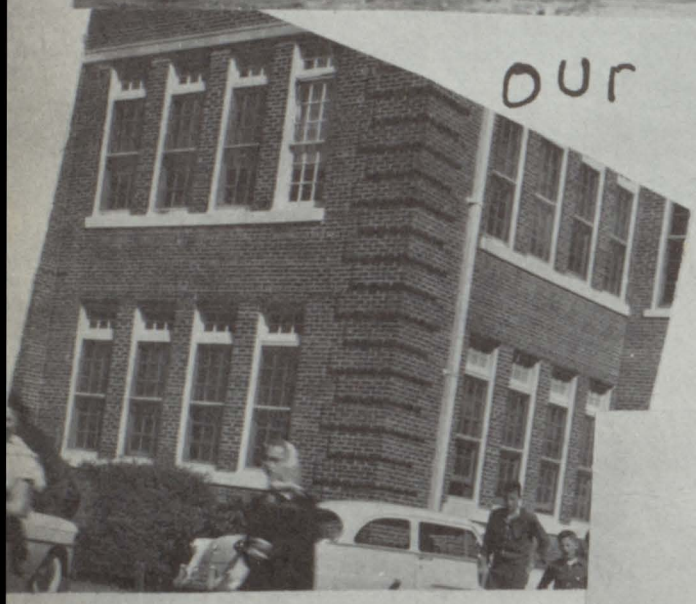
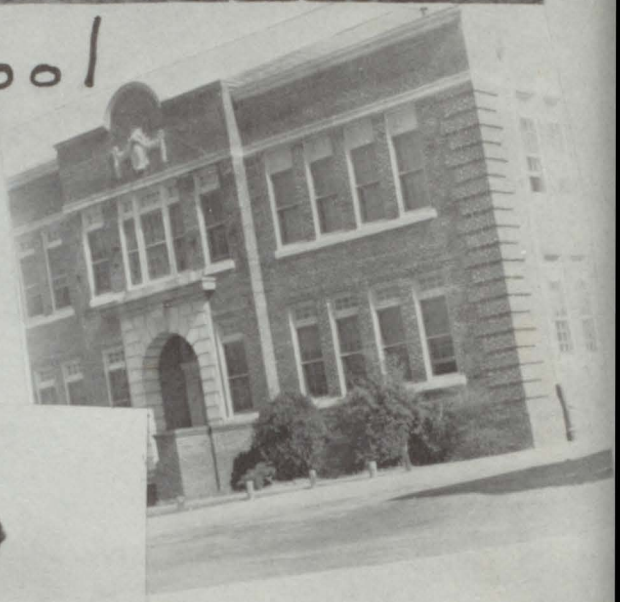




Secretary

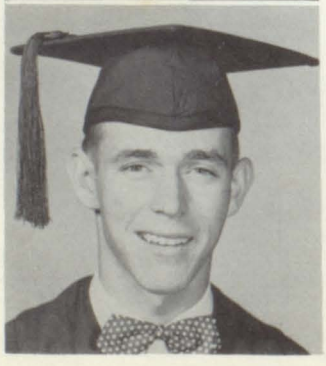
Mrs. Adger

SENIORS

Seniors

Secretary - - - - - - - - - - - - PATSY DENMON
Sponsor - - - - - - - - - - - JANICE DAVIDSON
Vice President - - - - - - - - - KENDALL KELLY
President - - - - - - - - - - - - DANNY LOGAN

LARON BOUNDS
Favorite 54-55; Best All Round 54; Cheerleader 54-55; Girls' State 54; Chorus Club 54-55; Annual Staff 54-55; Home Economics Club 52-55; Band 52; Tattler Staff 52; Red Cross Rep. 53; FHA 55; Carnival Rep. 53.

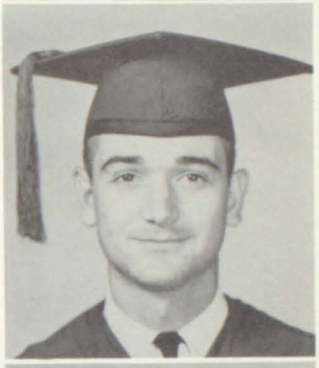


FLOYD CRAIN
Basketball 52-55; Baseball 52-55; 4-H Club 52-55; Class President 54; Chorus Club 54-55; Chorus Gent 55; Favorite 55; Chorus President 55; Best All Round 55.

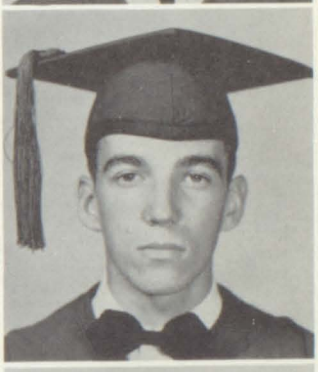
Seniors

Good luck "Skeeter" Denmon

PATSY DENMON
Class Secretary 55; Student Council 52-53; Chorus Club 54-55; Home Ec Club 52-55; FHA 55; Secretary FHA 55; 4-H Club 52-54; Annual Staff 54-55.

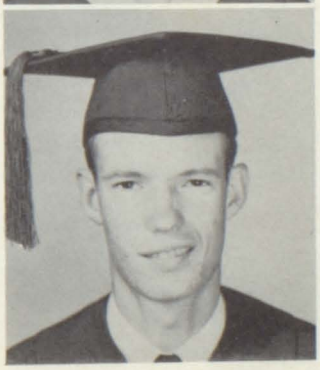


JOE HOLEMON
Boy Scouts 52; Band 52; Secretary 53; Basketball 53; Boys' State 54; Annual Staff 54-55; Chorus Club 54; Red Cross Rep. 55.



KENDALL KELLY
Boy Scouts 52; Basketball 53; Chorus Club 54-55; Best Personality 53; Chours Gent 54; Red Cross Rep. 54; Class Vice President 55; Chorus Vice President 55.

ANNA BETH LANKFORD
Class Vice President 53; Class Treasurer 52; Tattler Staff 52; Secretary 54; Chorus Club 52-55; Home Ec Club 52-55; Annual Staff 54-55; Student Council 54-55; Cheerleader 53-55; Chorus Sweetheart 55; Favorite 54-55; Most Popular 54; President FHA 55; Carnival Queen 54.



DANNY LOGAN
Basketball 52-55; Baseball 52-55; 4-H Club 52-54; Class President 53-55; Student Council President 52; Student Council Vice President 55; Best Athletic 55; 4-H President 52; Annual Staff 54-55; Favorite 53-55; Most Popular 53-55.

Seniors

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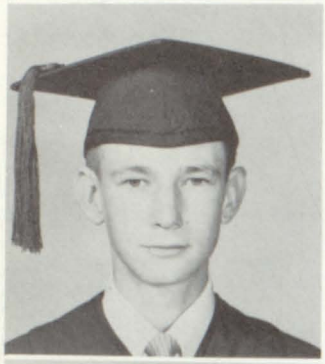
JAMES MERRILL
Band 52-53; 4-H Club 52-55; Basketball 54; Chorus 54-55.

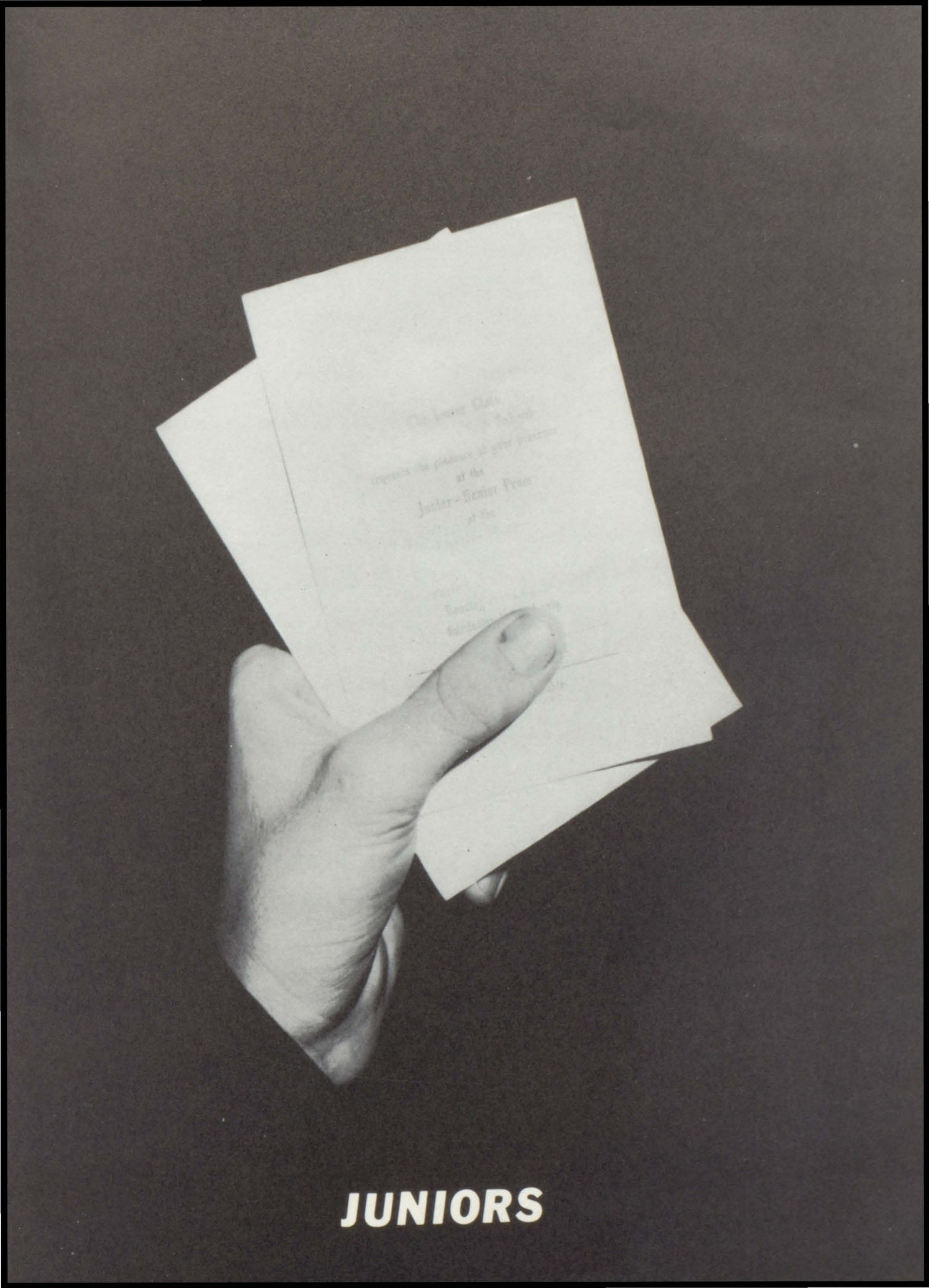


DONNIE NICHOLS
Boy Scouts 52; 4-H Club 52-54; Basketball 52-55; Baseball 53; Chorus 54-55; Favorite 55.

JOSIE PIZZOLATO
Chorus 52-55; Chorus Sweetheart 54; Home Ec 52-55; FHA 55; Basketball Sweetheart 55; FHA Treasurer 55; Student Council 54; Annual Staff 54-55.

WILNA PRESTON
Annual Staff 55; FHA 55; Chorus 55; 4-H Club 52-54; Home Ec 52-55.

PATSY VOLENTINE
Chorus 52-54; Home Ec 52-55; Vice President 54; Annual Staff 54-55; Cheerleader 55; Alternate Cheerleader 54; FHA 55; Band 52; Class Secretary 52; Favorite 55.

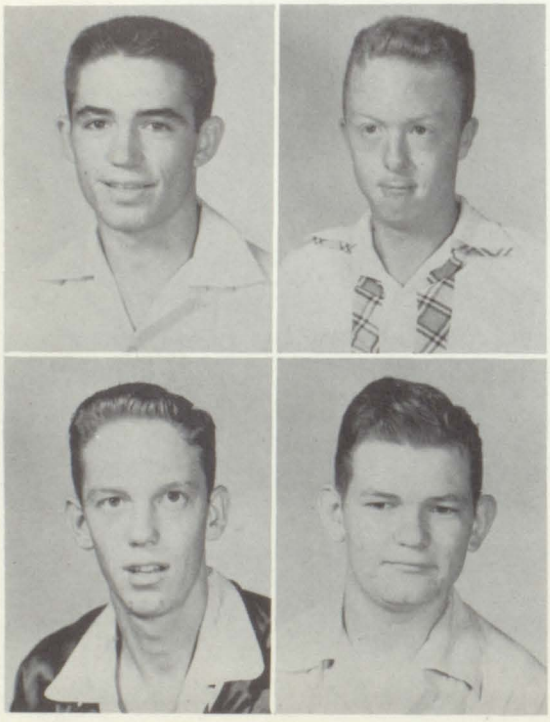


JUNIORS

Juniors

Treasurer - - - - - - - - - MARY E. GUNNING
Vice President - - - - - - - - - TANNE McDADE

President - - - - - - - - - - - - - ANN DODSON
Secretary - - - - - - - - - - - - - HOWARD COLE
Sponsor - - - - - - - - - - - - - BARBARA GRAY



JOHNNY ARMSTRONG

CALVIN BICKHAM

DAVID BICKHAM

HOWARD COLE

Juniors

JIMMIE CUMMINGS

ANN DODSON

MARY ELIZABETH GUNNING

MATTIE HARKNESS

PEGGY HOLCOMB

JANICE HOWELL

TANNE McDADE

BOBBY RAY RENEAU

MURLIN WHATLEY

SHIRLEY WILKINSON

Last Will and Testament of the Senior Class of '55

Laron to Mattie - her cheering ability and long hours of writing letters; also her pretty blue eyes. May she use them to receive compliments.

Patsy D. to Tanne - her friendliness and charm. May she use it to win as many friends as she has; also her height. May Tanne use it to squirm out of tight places.

Floyd to Murlin - his basketball suit and a package of filtered L and M's so he will have enough wind to play ball.

Joe to Johnny - his ability to keep up with text books and pencils and his ability to study and remember the lesson when he's finished.

Kendall to Bobby - his great voice and his love for popular music.

Anna Beth to Janice - her sweet singing voice and her ability to hold one of the senior boys from the class of '54.

Senior girls to Mary Elizabeth - their ability to make rolls and the job of reading all our books we have loved so well.

Danny to David - a carton of Camels and a cigarette lighter. May he put them to the best use. Danny also leaves David some of the prestige which he has had at B. H. S.

James to Howard - his whiskers. James hopes that Howard doesn't have as much trouble with them as he has had.

Donnie to Jimmie - his good looks and his ability with the girls, especially Mary Ann Droke.

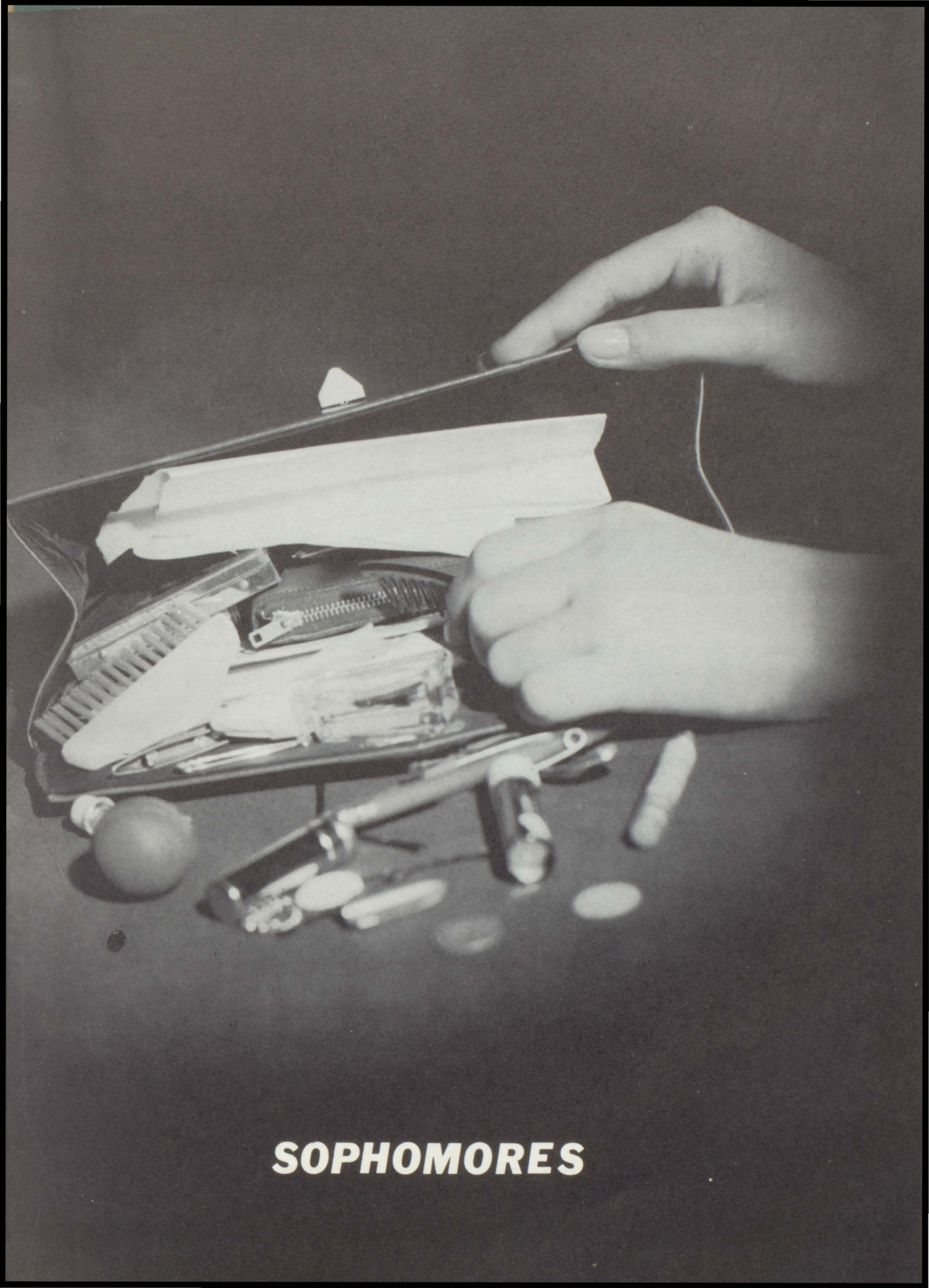
Wilna to Peggy Holcomb - her easy going manner and temper. May Peggy use these to always obtain a healthy atmosphere.

Patsy V. to Ann - her ability to drive her car and her job as pianist of B. H. S.

Josie Helen to Shirley - her poor attendance record in hopes that Shirley will make up for Josie's absences. She also wills Shirley her special place on the front row at every ball game.

Senior Boys to Calvin - their ability to play hookey from school and get by with it.

Seniors of '55 to the Seniors of '56 - our wonderful school days in B. H. S. May each of you enjoy them and have as much fun as we did.

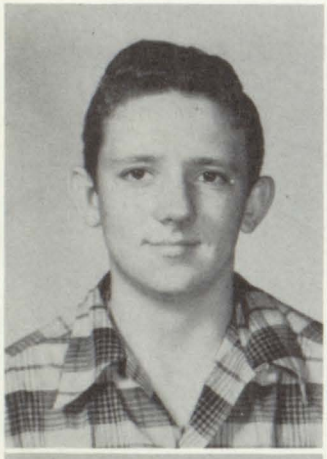


SOPHOMORES

Sophomores

Treasurer - - - - - - - - - WESLEY SHAVER
Secretary - - - - - - - - EDWARD BARRETT

Vice President - - - - - BUTCH GLEASON
President - - - - - - - - - - - LINDA BYRD
Sponsor - - - - - - - - MARY WYNN DIXON



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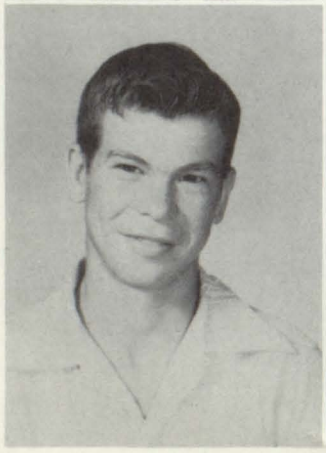
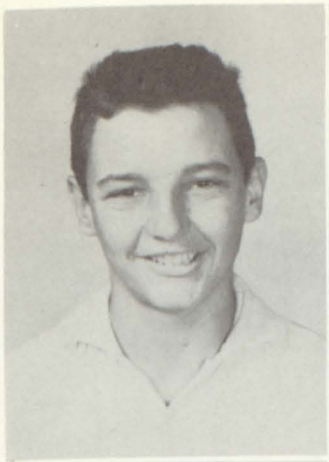


RODNEY CARLISLE

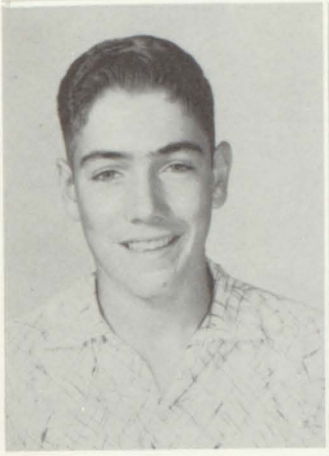
LESLIE DAVIS

Sophomores



BILLY DICKSON

MARY ANN DROKE



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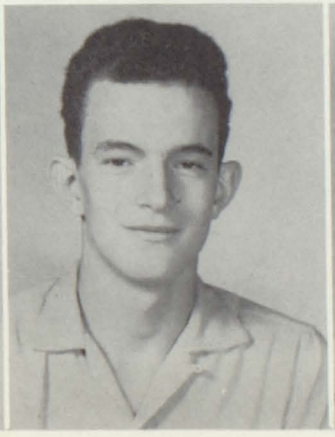

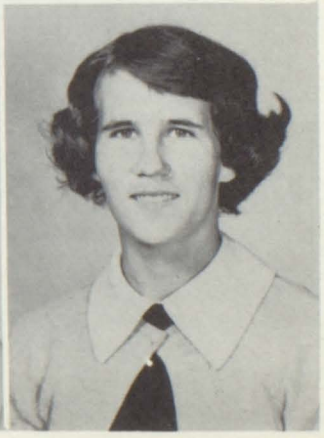

Noel Memorial Library
Louisiana State University in Shreveport

Senior Prophecies

1. Laron Bounds--We find Laron's residence now in Kellyville. On their ranch she has developed many new talents. We see her every evening, while riding herd, playing her guitar and singing, "Home On the Range"
2. Floyd Crain--Little did we think we would ever find Floyd in the pulpit of the Methodist Church to which he contributed so much of his life savings. He attributes his strong constitution to his habit of drinking fruit juice which he acquired in his Senior year at Belcher.
3. Patsy Nell Denmon--Patsy is a successful business woman, for she now owns the "Tall Tessie Toggery," a shop catering to extra tall girls and in her spare time she drives the "Fiery Ford" in the show of all shows, "Jimmy Lynch and his Daredevils."
4. Joe Holeman--Joe has stayed close to his home town and is now the Mayor of Gilliam and resides there with his family who have great socials every night; they do the two-step so well!!
5. Kendall Kelly--With his great musical talent, Kendall has worked his way up the ladder, and we now find him at the top playing first guitar in the New York Philharmonic Symphony. He even bought some elevated shoes and finally got Laron. Now we know why his dog stayed at Laron's house all those years.
6. Ann Beth Lankford--In 1965 we find Anna Beth still taking care of Jimmy. Jimmy Armstrong? Could be! She writes a column in a leading newspaper entitled, "First Love Can Last!"
7. Danny Logan--When Danny has reached the ripe age of 35, he is the proud father of quintuplet sons who compose the varsity squad of the Belcher Eagles. They owe their success to their inherited ability and driving-by-whip persistance of their father. Danny is also considered "King of the Old Fashioned Dance," the Bop!!
8. James Merrill--Poor James, he never heeded our advice and we now find him many years later with only a nub for a thumb, but even so, he manages to play the bass very well with only four fingers.
9. Donnie Nichols--Donnie is happy now that he has finally won his desire in life, the irrisistable blonde bombshell. Although he is now 50, he still has that infectious giggle and attractive blush.
10. Josie Pizzolata--We see that Josie has finally made up her mind and chosen the Mayor of a major city as her "one and only," but we are sure you've seen her on TV and in all magazines featured as the "Ipana Girl."
11. Wilna Preston--Wilna is perhaps the most famous of all for she is the famed bare-back rider in the Ringling Brothers Circus who performs dangerous feats under the Big Top. Between acts she assists her husband, the magician in his world famous act. He saws her not in two pieces, but in four.
12. Patsy Volentine--Patsy realized her dream and has become an outstanding model, but due to the fact that she ate too much one summer, she now models Size 40. Also, she has the cutest little redheaded, bow-legged, hot-tempered boy!

FRESHMEN

Ninth Grade

Secretary - - - - - - -SANDRA CONNELL
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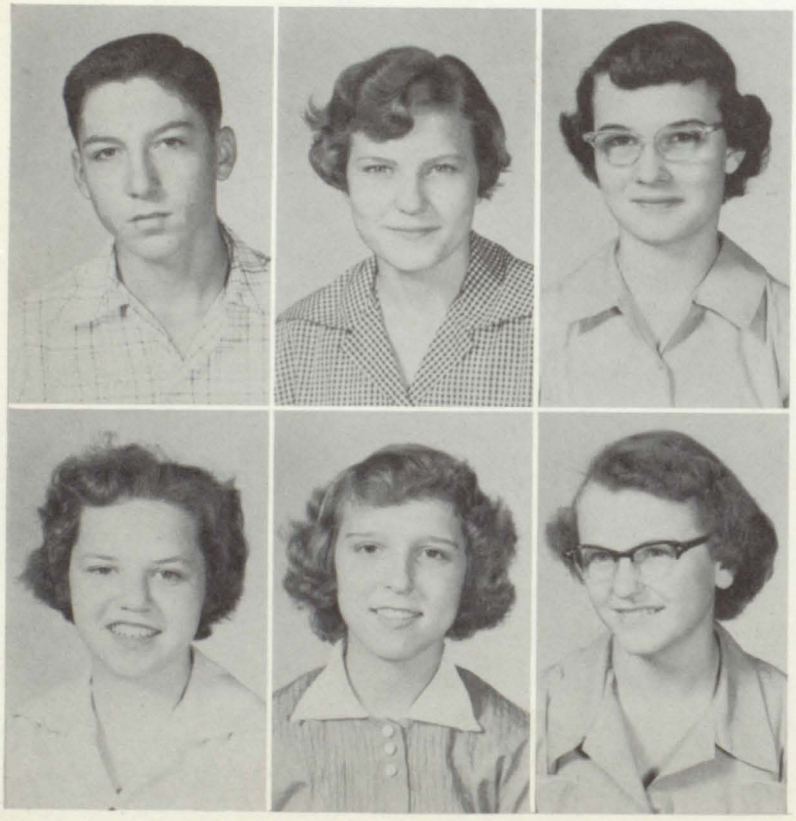
Vice President - - - - - - JOHN HAWKINS



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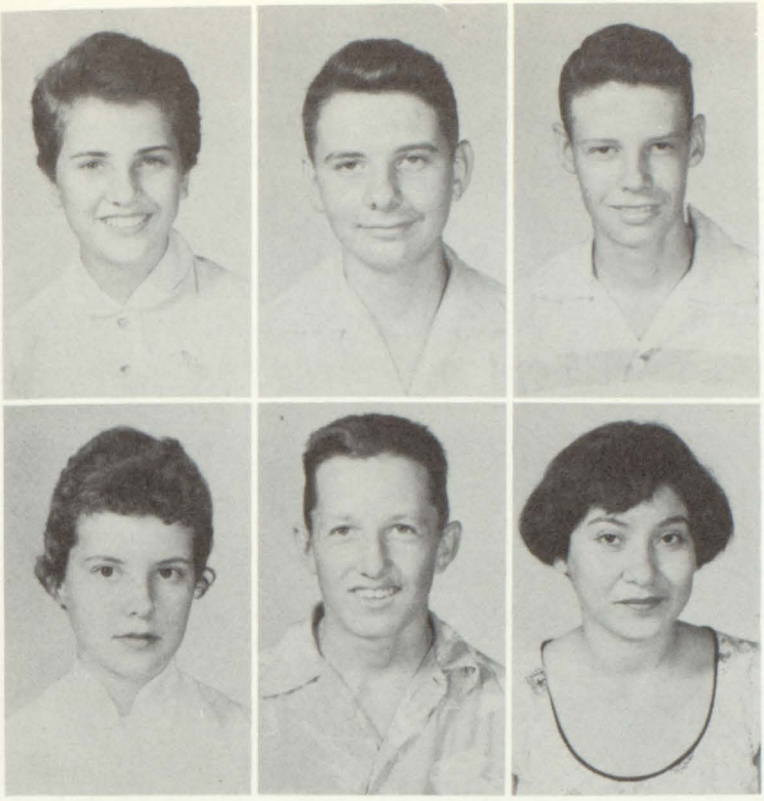


ANN DICKSON

JOHN HAWKINS

JOHN LOGAN

DIANA MEARES

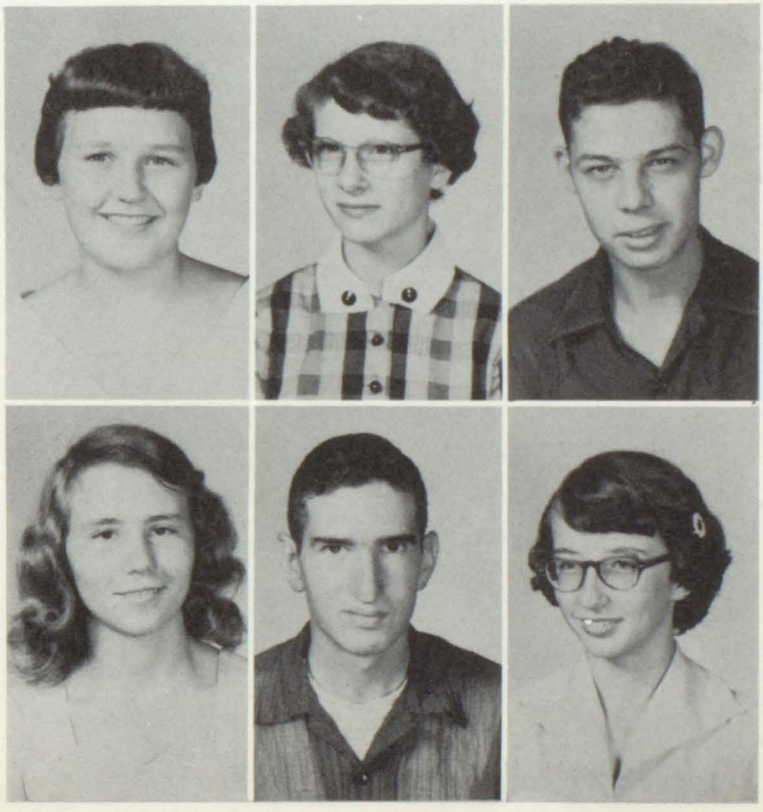
JAMES PERDUE

BERNICE PROCELLA

GERTRUDE REEVES

TRESSA RENEAU

ARLIE SIBERT



OUIDA TERRY

GERALD WHATLEY

HELEN WILKINSON

Seniors!

Josie

Patsy V.

Patsy D.

Wilma

Laron

Floyd

Anna Beth

Kendall

Joe

Donnie

James

Danny

JUNIOR HIGH

Eighth Grade

President - - - - - - - TOMMY STINSTON
Vice President - - - DONALD HEMPERLEY
Sponsor - - - - - - - - - - AMY GLEASON

Secretary - - - - - - YVONNE HARKNESS
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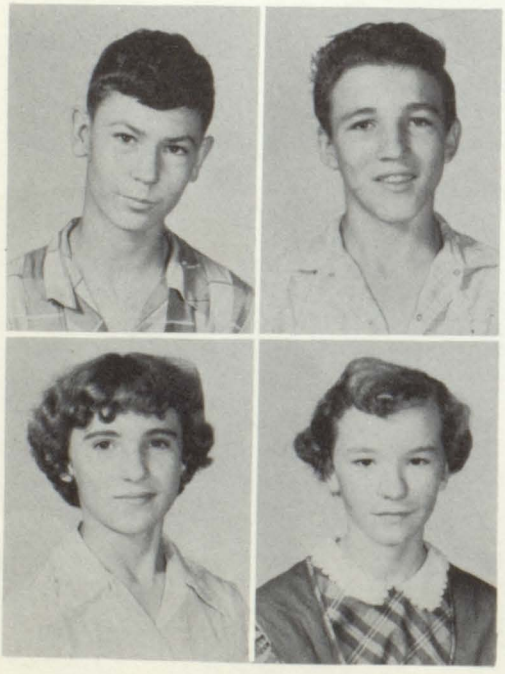

WALTER CLARK

HARRIS COOPER

JESSIE COOPER

YVONNE HARKNESS

Eighth Grade

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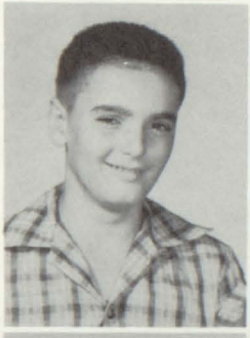
MICKEY LANKFORD

CALVIN LYNN

SAMMY MITCHELL

JOE WILLIE PERDUE



EDWARD PRICE

CLARENCE REECE

CAROLYN SELF

TOMMY STINSON

Seventh Grade

Sponsor - - - - - - - - - - PATSY WINKLER
President - - - - - - - - MARY E. CONNELL
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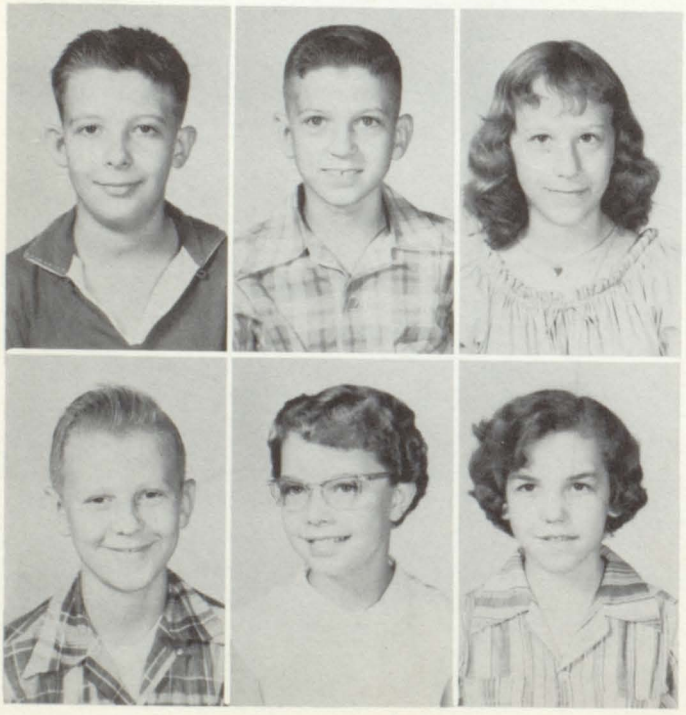

MORRIS ADGER

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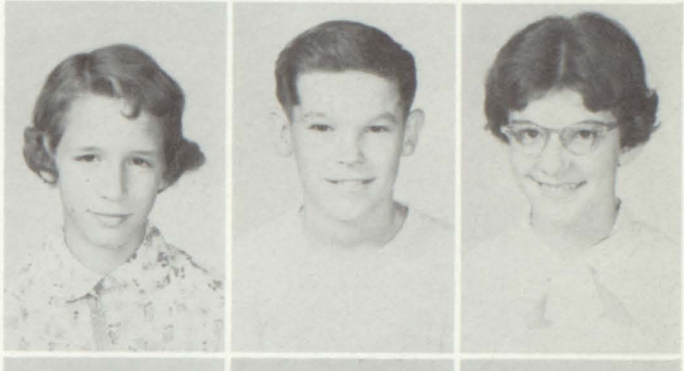

RACHAEL PROCELLA

ROSE SIMPSON

NANCY VAN HOOSE

ALICE VILLARD

BEVERLY VOLENTINE

ROGER WILBANKS

FRANCES WILKINSON

DONALD WORLEY

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Bus Drivers

New Church

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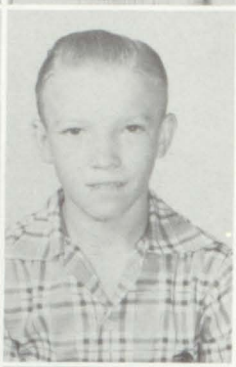

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FLOYD HENDERSON

MANFRED JEROWICK

TOMMIE MESHELL

KENNETH MONROE

JUANITA RENEAU

MARGARET SIBERT

HORACE TAYLOR

WILLIAM TERRY

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ANDREW BELL
CHARLOTTE CARLISLE
GARY CARLISLE

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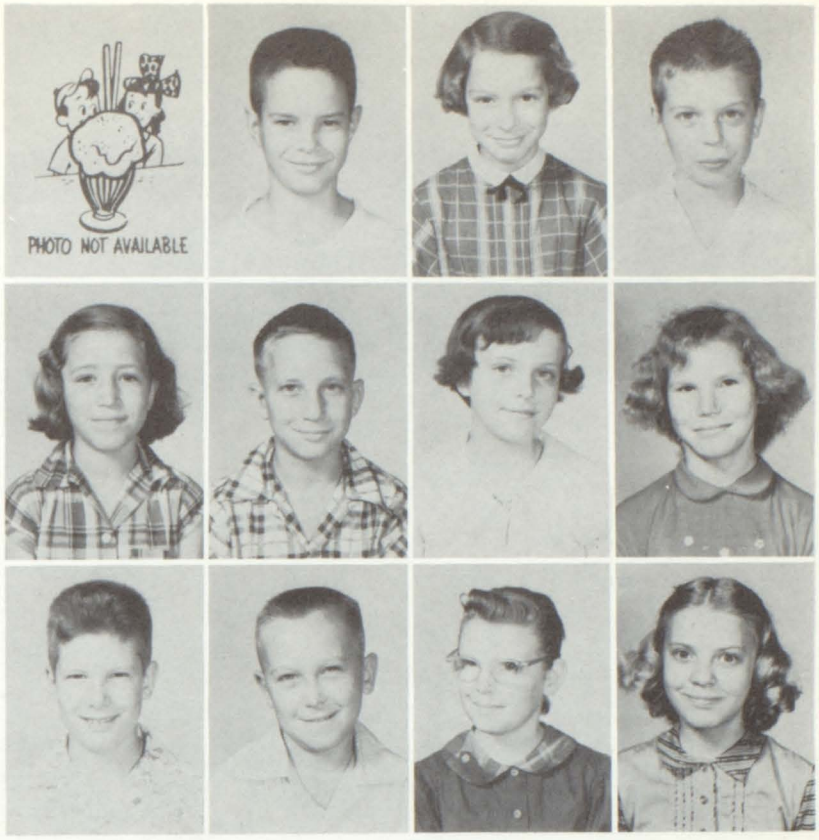

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JOE REECE
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MARIE SULLIVAN
REED TERRY
DIANE WORLEY
ANDY YARBROUGH

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BUTCH BROWN
GRADY CUMMINGS

LUTHER DAVIS
BOBBIE GARZA
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ROBERTA TERRY
TOMMY VILLARD
CHARLES WILKINSON
JESSE PERDUE

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CURTIS BRACKMAN
SUSAN BRIGGS

JEANNE CARLISLE
SALLY DIXON
JIMMY DODSON
PATSY FLENNIKEN

BERNICE GARZA
DELORES GARZA
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JULIA NANCE

CHARLES PRICE
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BEN STEPHENS
LINDA TEER

GORDON VAN HOOSE
HARVEY VILLARD
DON WARD
JOHN SWILLEY

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ELIZABETH BICKHAM
MIKE BONNER

BELLE CLARK
MARIE CLARK

VELMA COOPER
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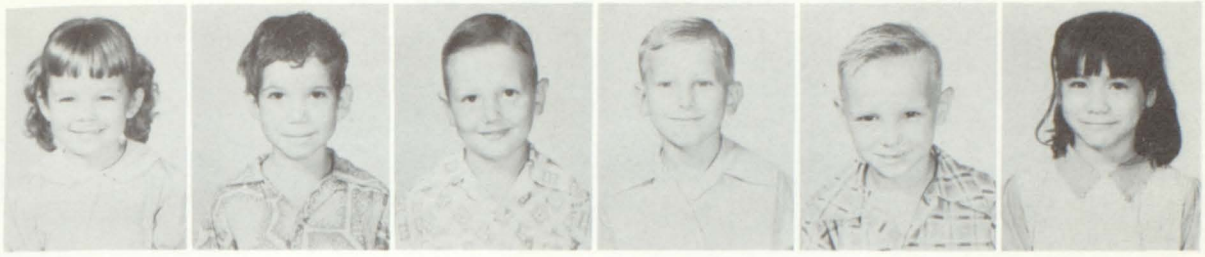

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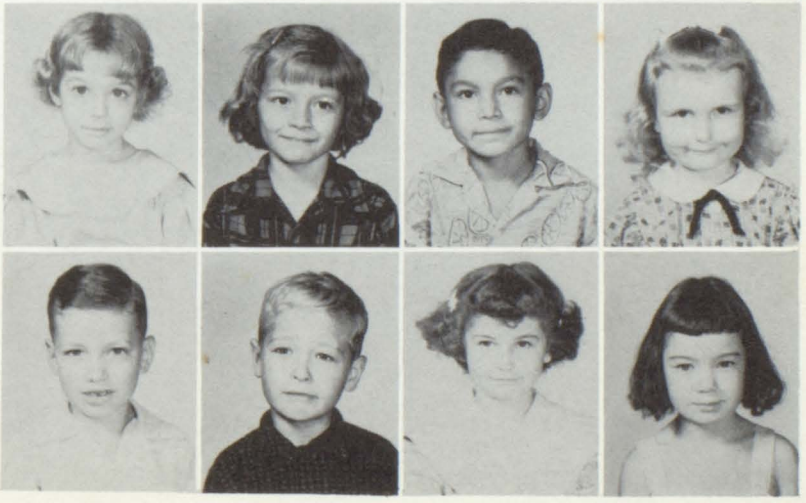

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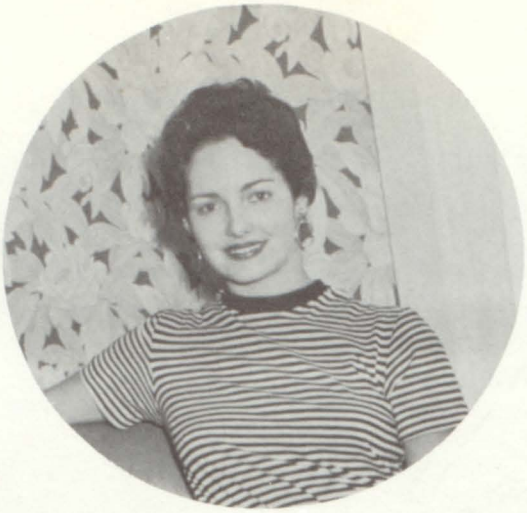

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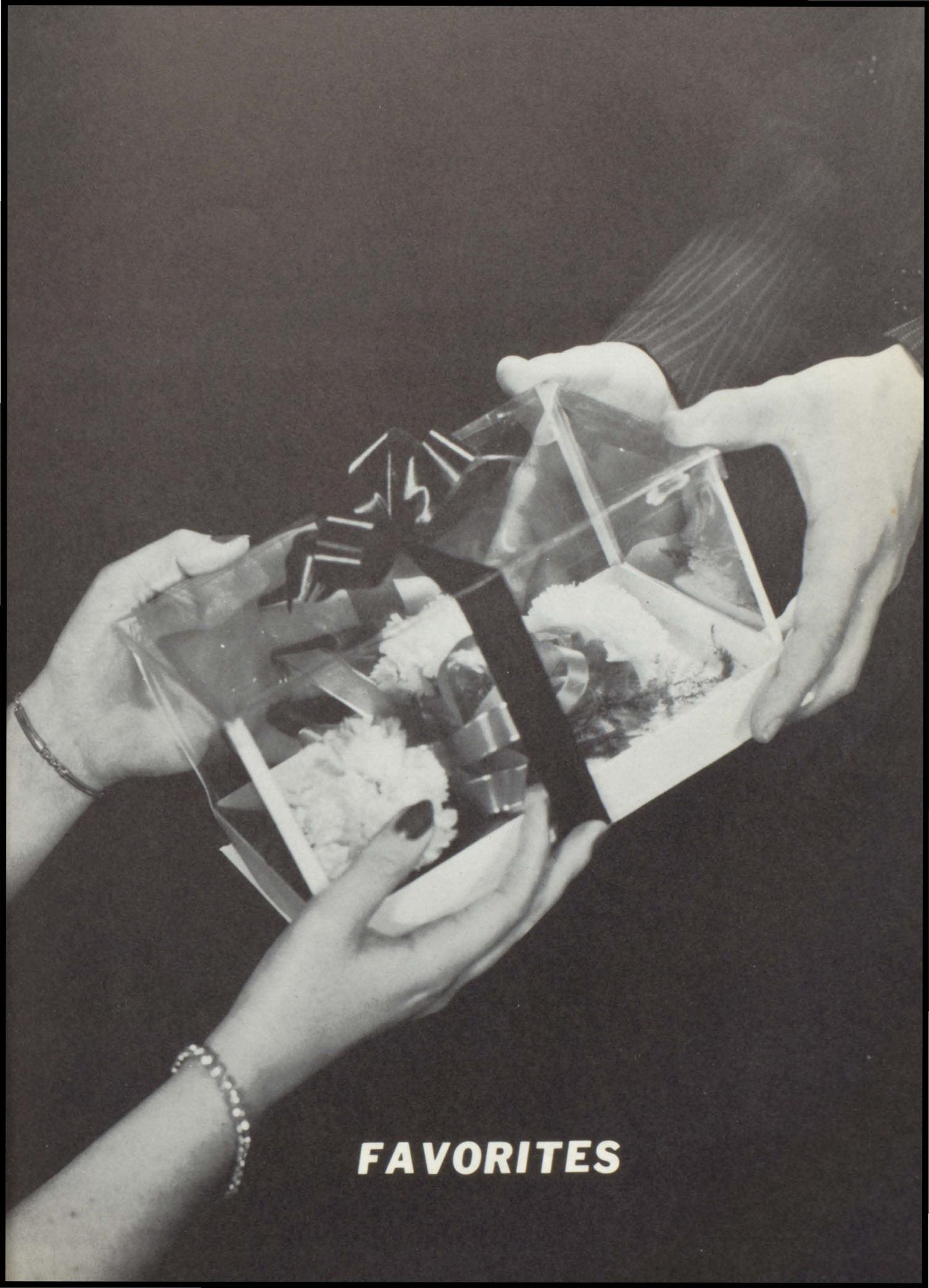
Miss Gail Gleason



FAVORITES

Favorite Girls

Laron Bounds

Joe, I have really enjoyed going to school with you these years. I wish you the best of luck in your career. I will come to see you when you get a Church. A Baptist friend
Laron.

Joe
I want to wish you
the best of luck
in your ministry.
I think it is wonderful
your being a minister.
I hope you
will always be as you
are now and there will
never be a doubt of
your success.
a friend
Janice

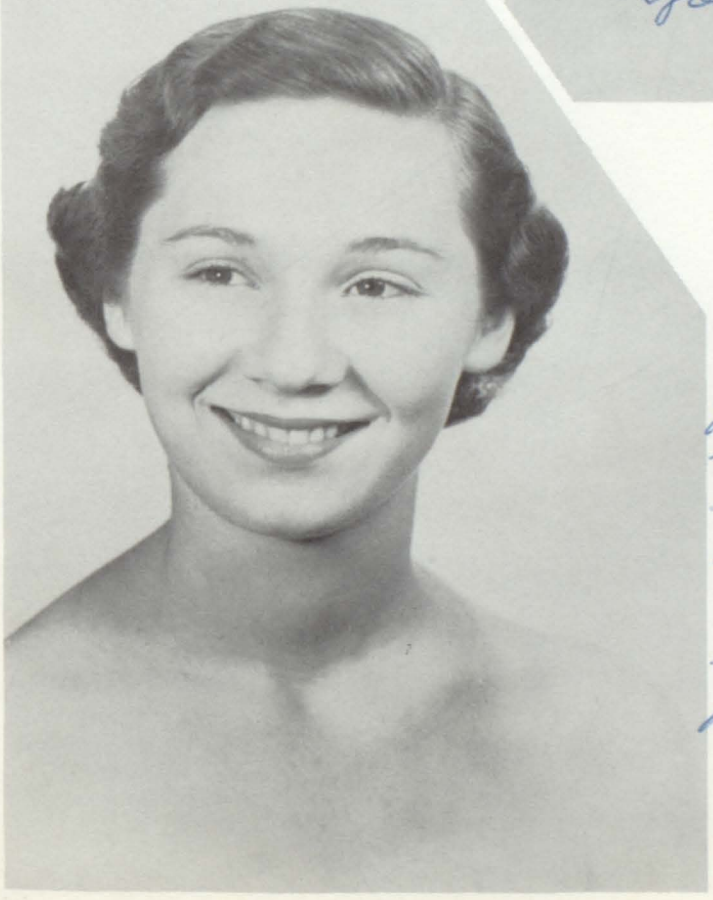
Janice Howell

Favorite Girls

Anna Beth Lankford

Dal, I have enjoyed going to school with you. Especially coming to Play Practice with you and all the others. I wish you the best in your life of a minister, may you always remain the fine Christian that you are now.

Your Classmate,
Anna Beth



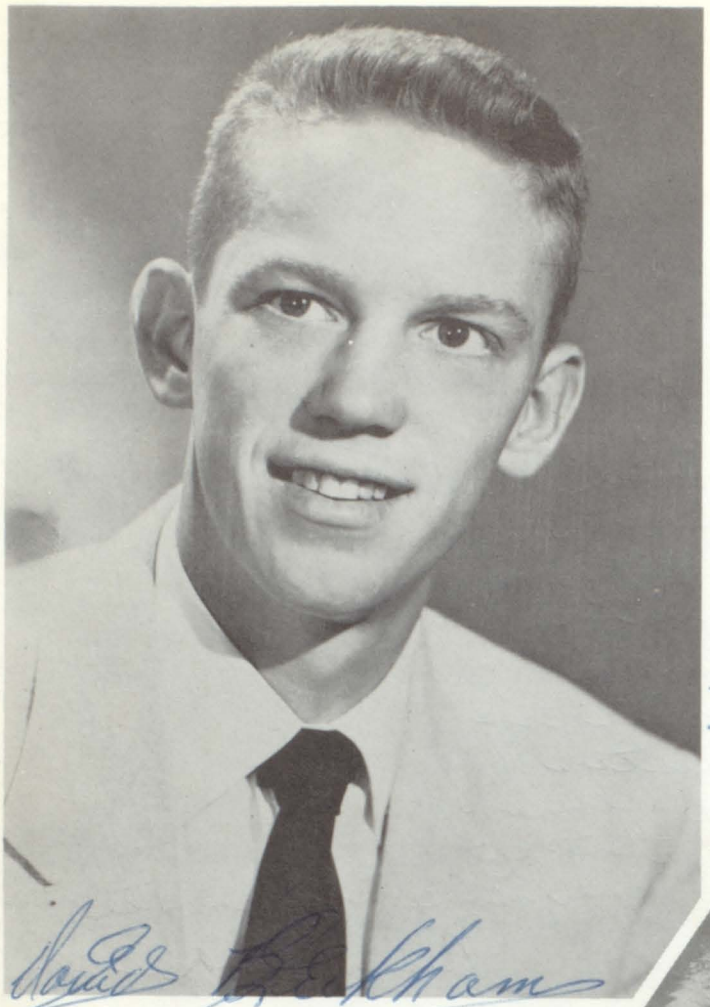
Patsy Volentine

Dal, its really been fun going to school with you even though we've had our little differences. Remember the chair ?? Oh well, thats in the past and your future really looks bright.

Keep up the good work.

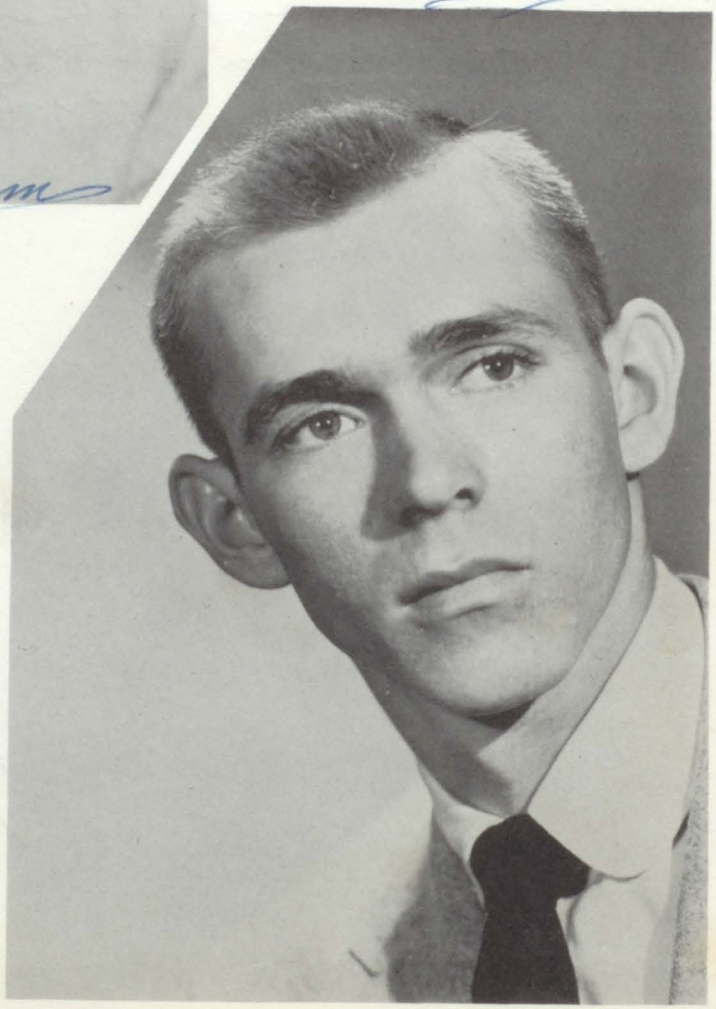
Your classmate,
Patsy

Favorite Boys



David Bickham

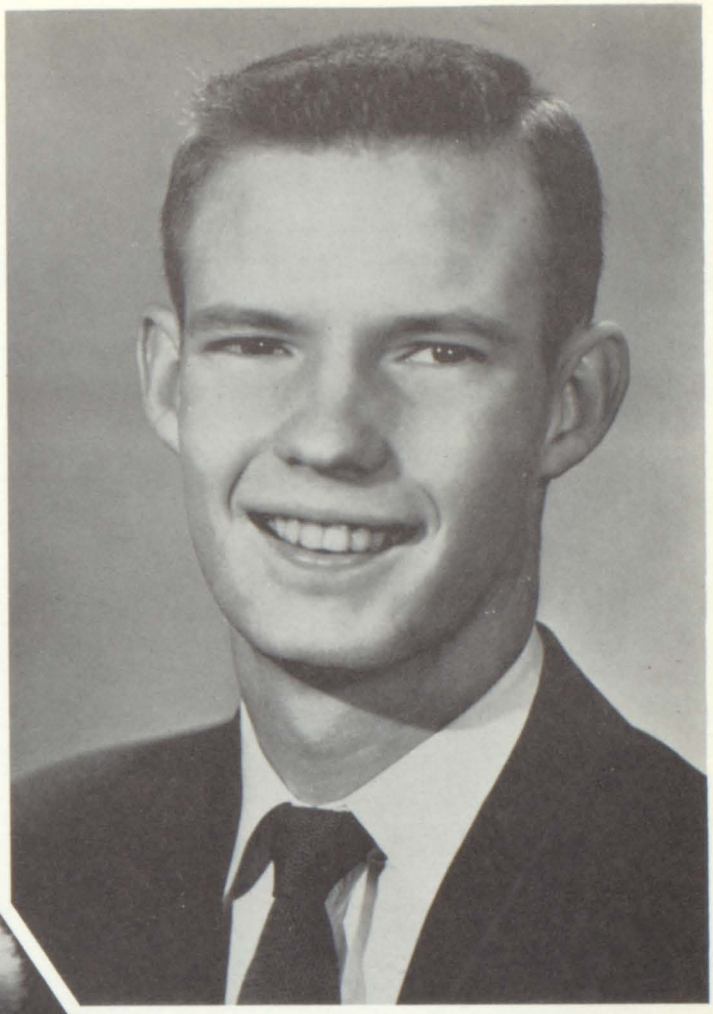
Joe: I can really say I have enjoyed knowing and going to school. Have missing you all the luck in the world at all you undertake to do
a friend
D. B.



Floyd Crain

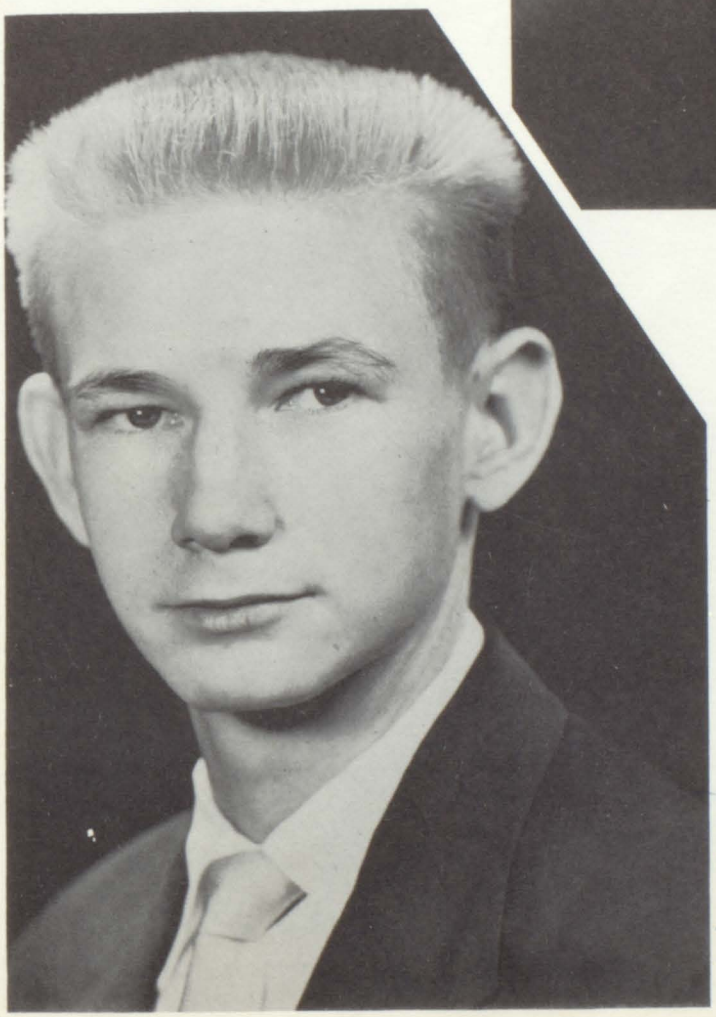
Best of Luck always in your future career.
Floyd

Favorite Boys



Danny Logan

Jae:
I really admire your sincereness and I know you will be a big success at whatever you do. Best wishes. Danny

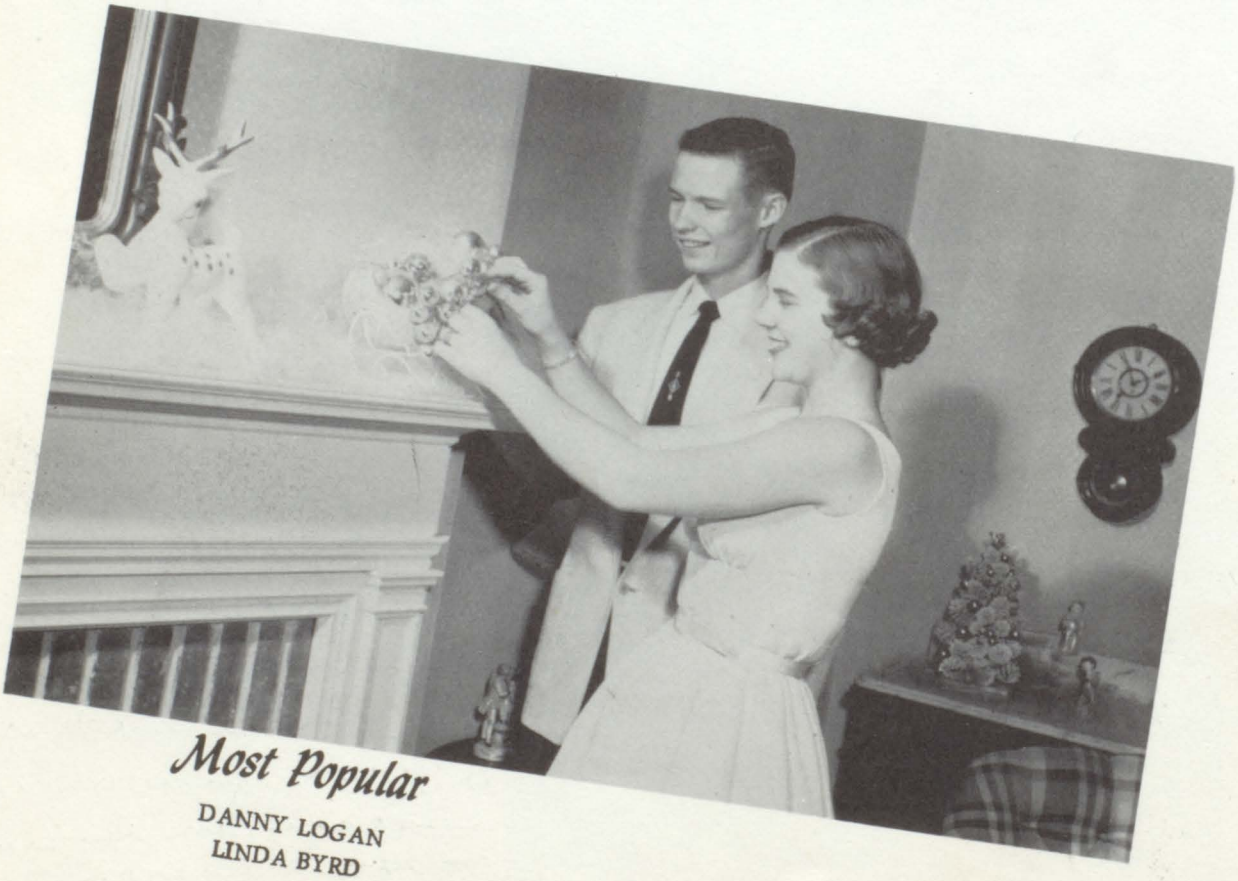


Donnie Nichols

Jae,
I have enjoyed sharing + going to school with you. I wish you all the success in the world in your chosen career.
Donnie Nichols

Best All-Around

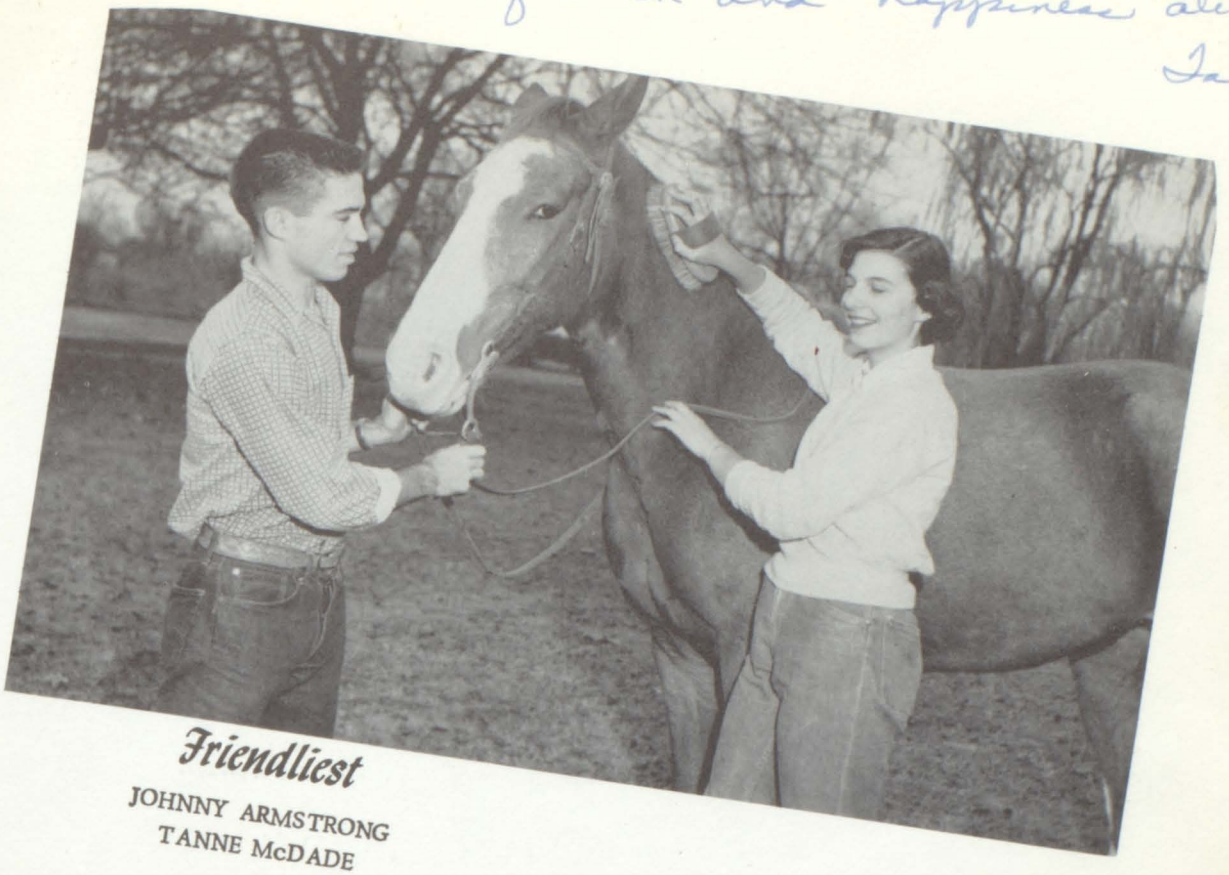
FLOYD CRAIN
ANN DODSON



Most Popular

DANNY LOGAN
LINDA BYRD

you are a very nice boy, Joe. We made it through Chemistry class, didn't we? Lots of luck and happiness always,
Tanne



Friendliest

JOHNNY ARMSTRONG
TANNE McDADE

Junior High Favorites

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Basketball Sweetheart and Best Athlete

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Chorus Sweetheart and Gentleman

ANNA BETH LANKFORD
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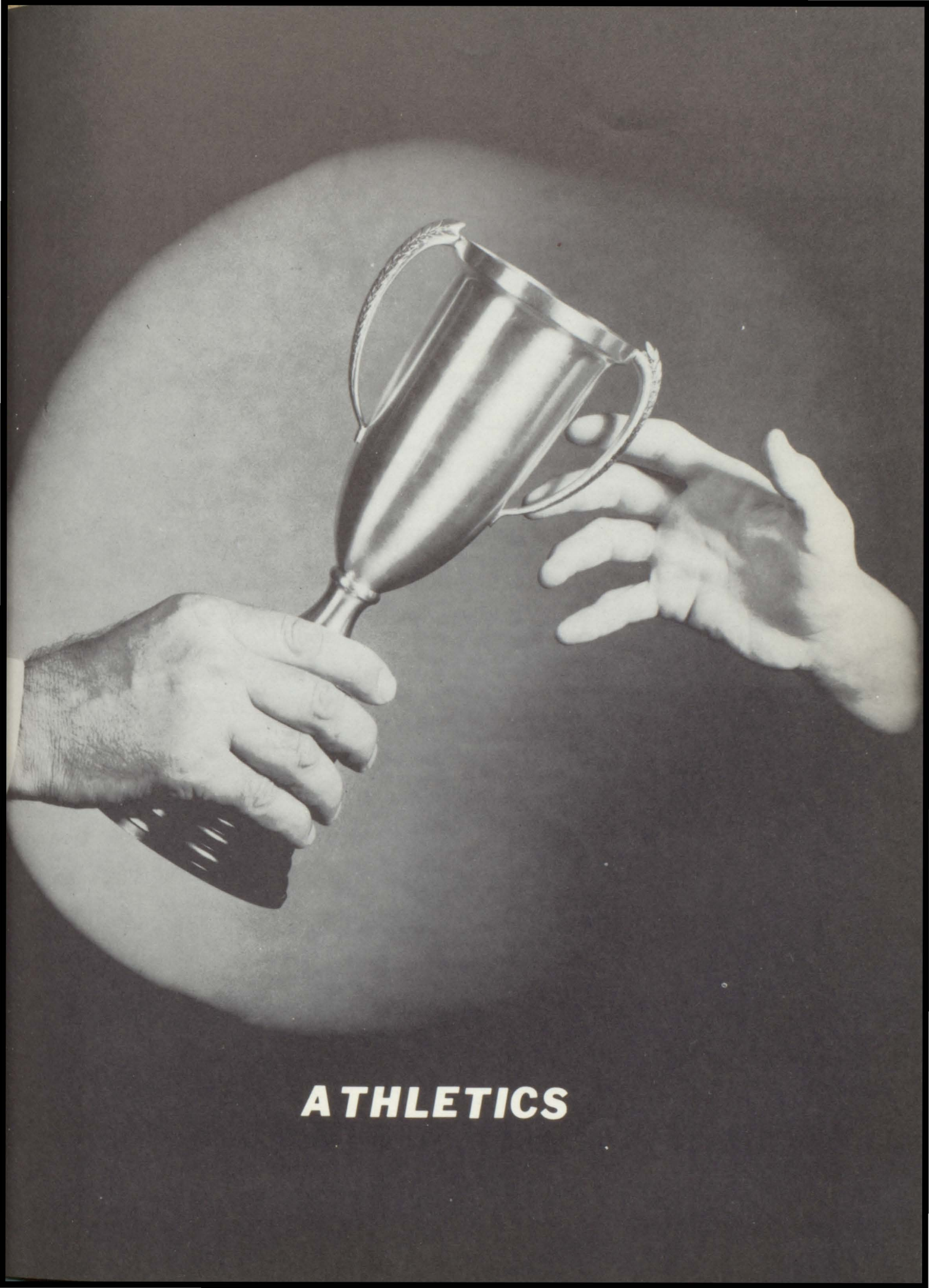

ATHLETICS

"A" String and Coach

CRAIN

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"B" String
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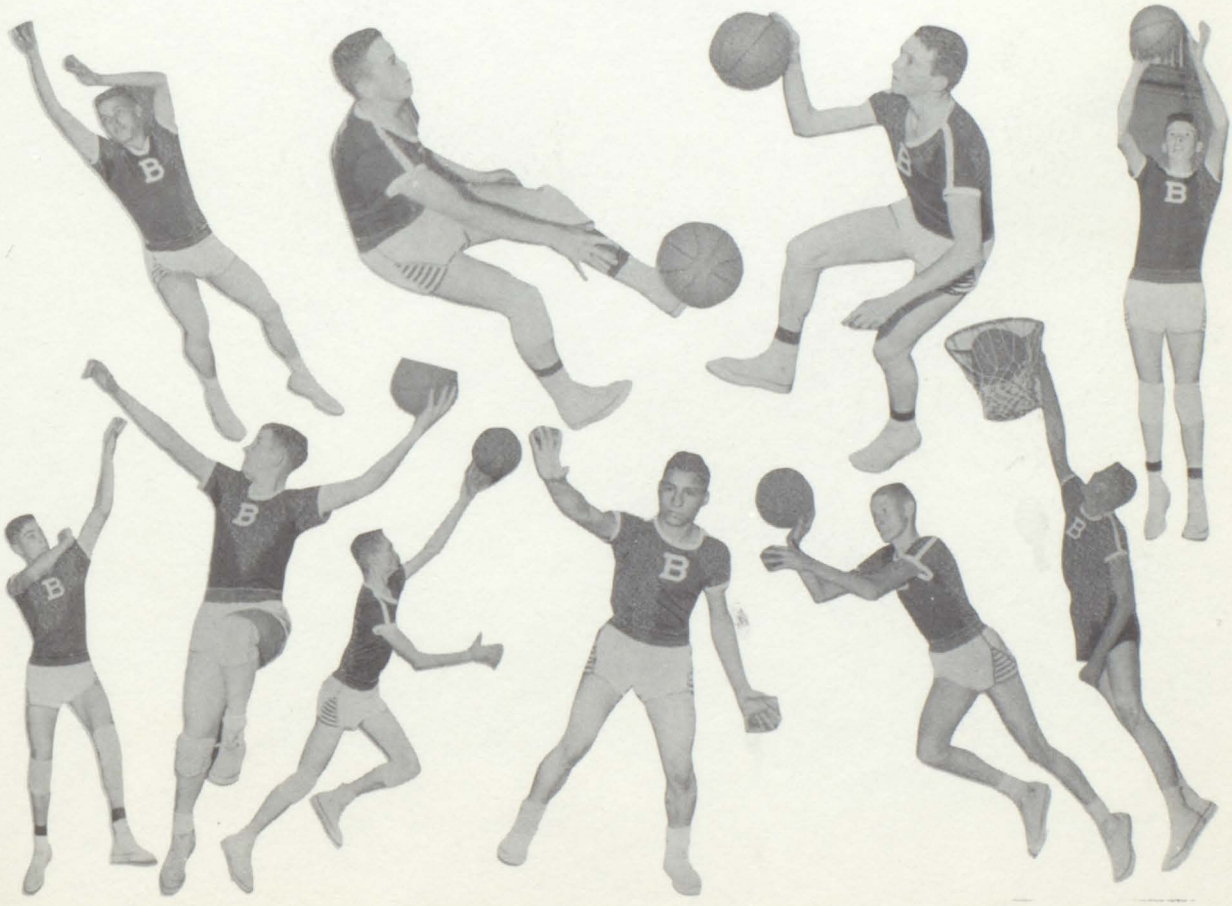
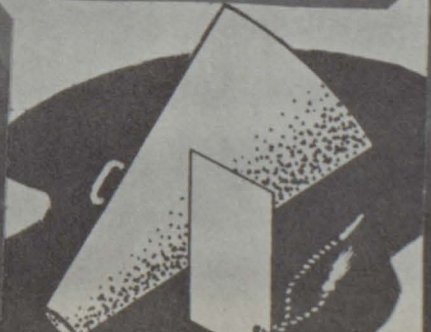


Cheerleaders

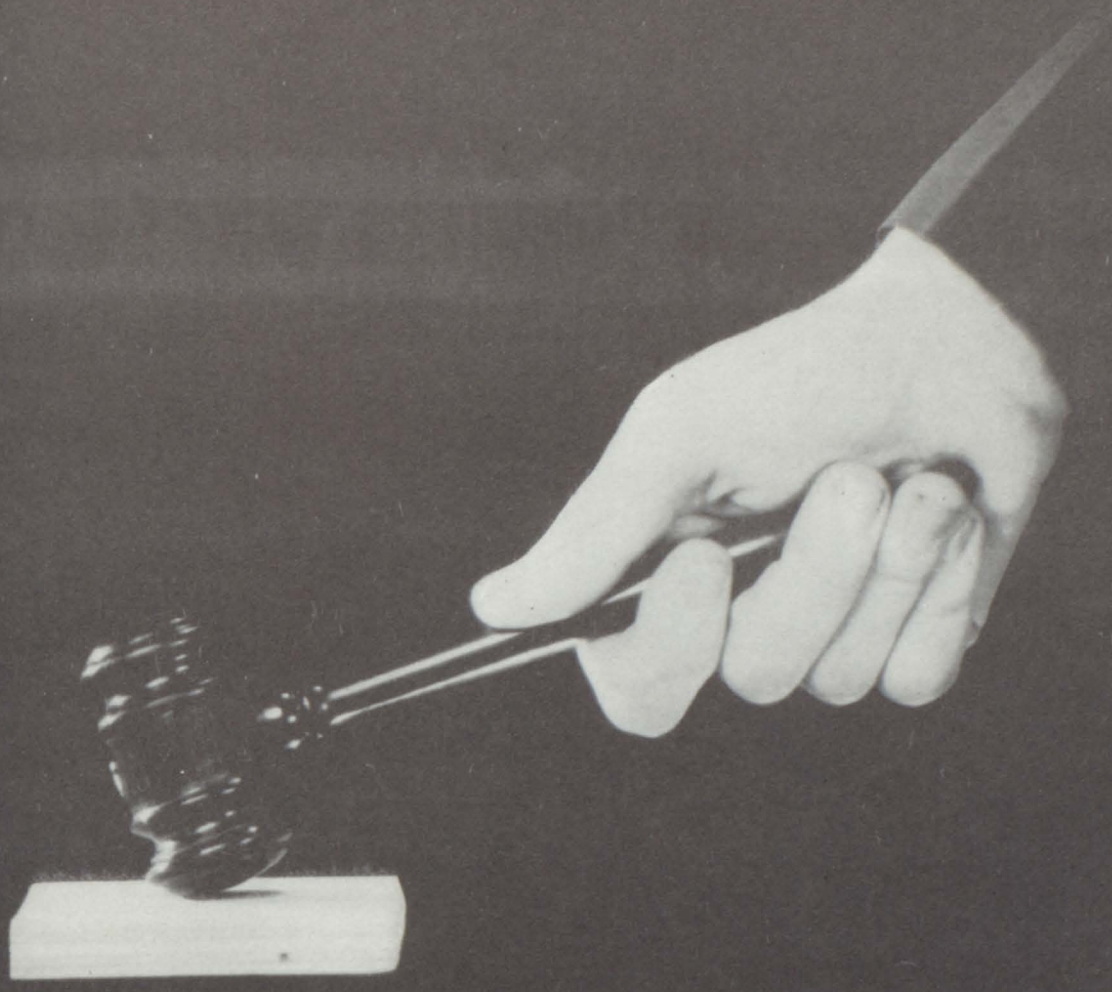
PATSY VOLENTINE, ANNA BETH LANKFORD, LARON BOUNDS,
ANN DODSON, LINDA BYRD

Alternates: TANNE McDADE, PEGGY DENMON

Yea Eagles!!



Fight, Team, Fight!



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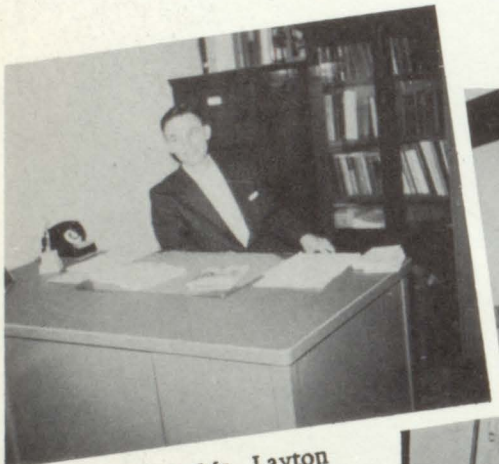

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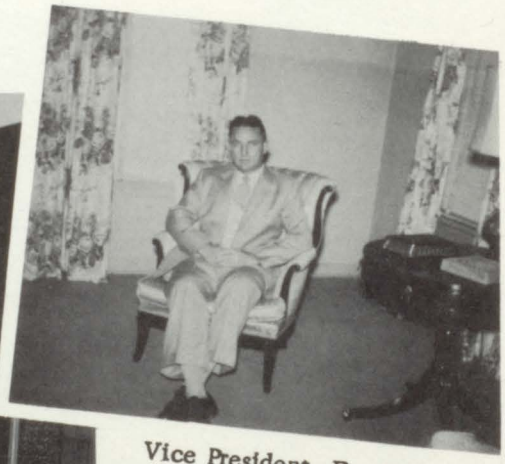

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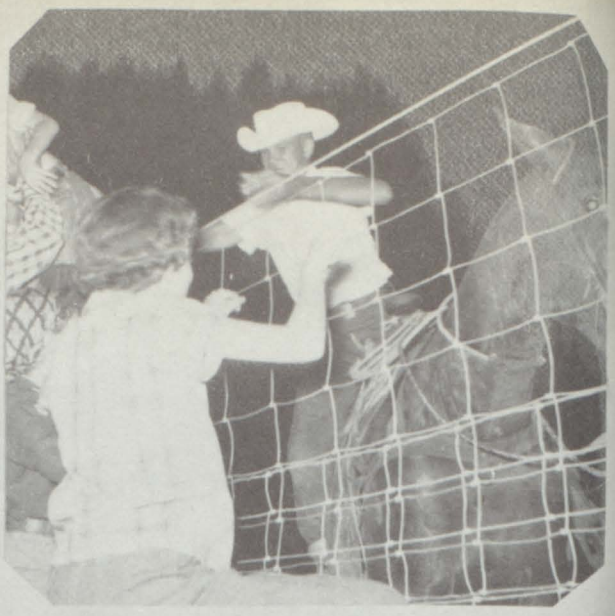
Happy Days!!

Dancing Feet

"Lowly Freshmen"

"Many Moons Ago"

Around



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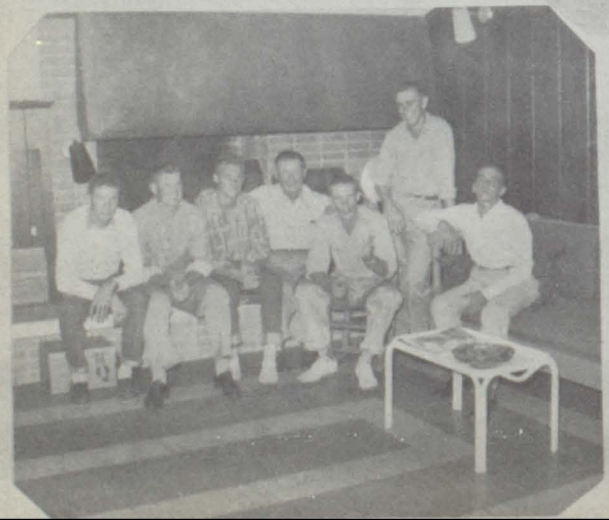

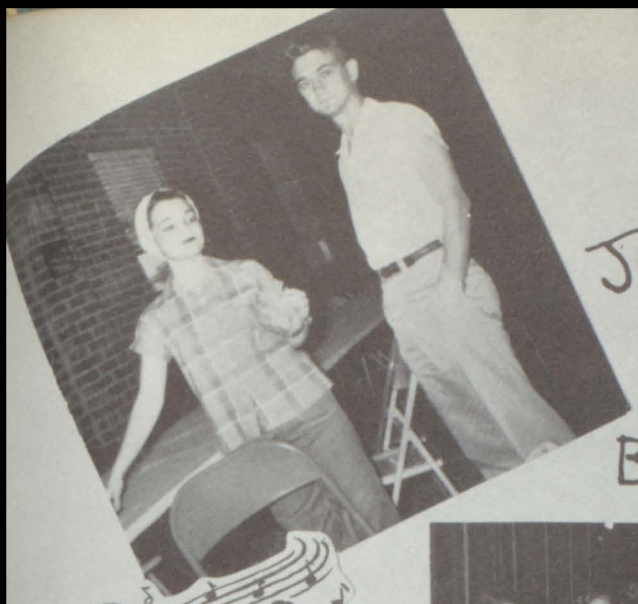

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Banquet

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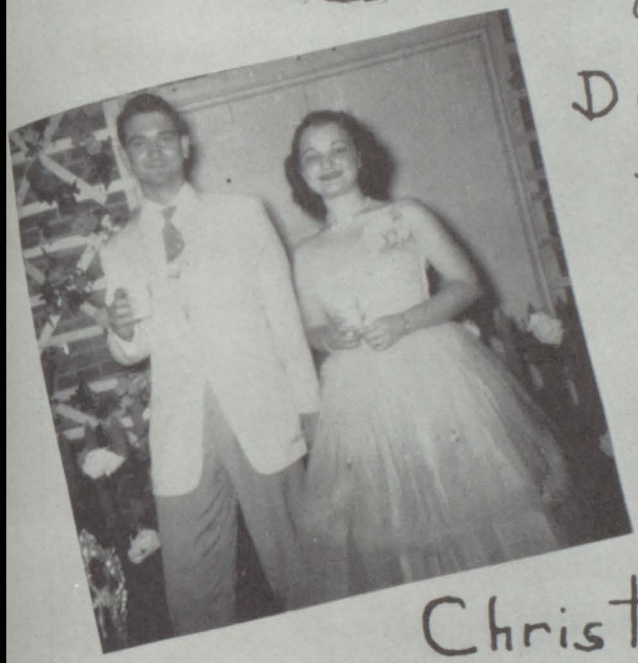

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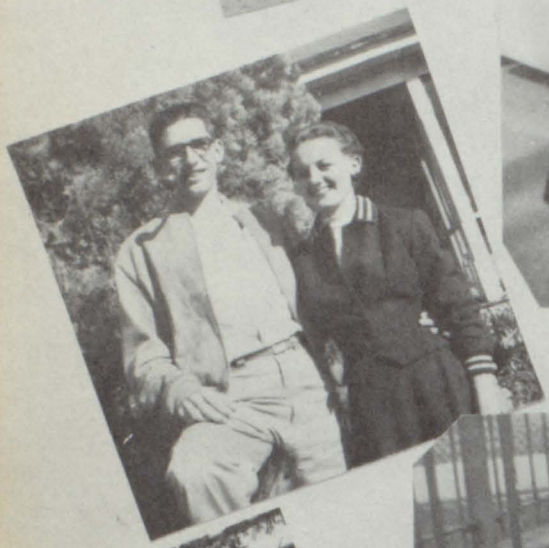
Christmas Dance



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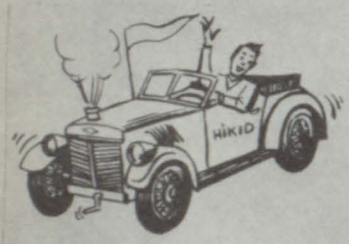

con't.

Remember When??

What's

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Girls!

Holiday Festivities

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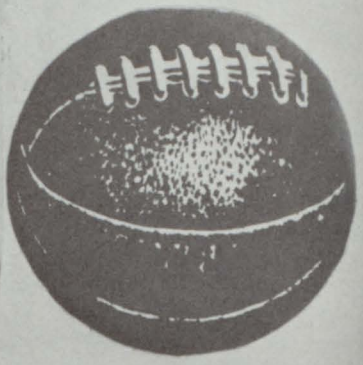

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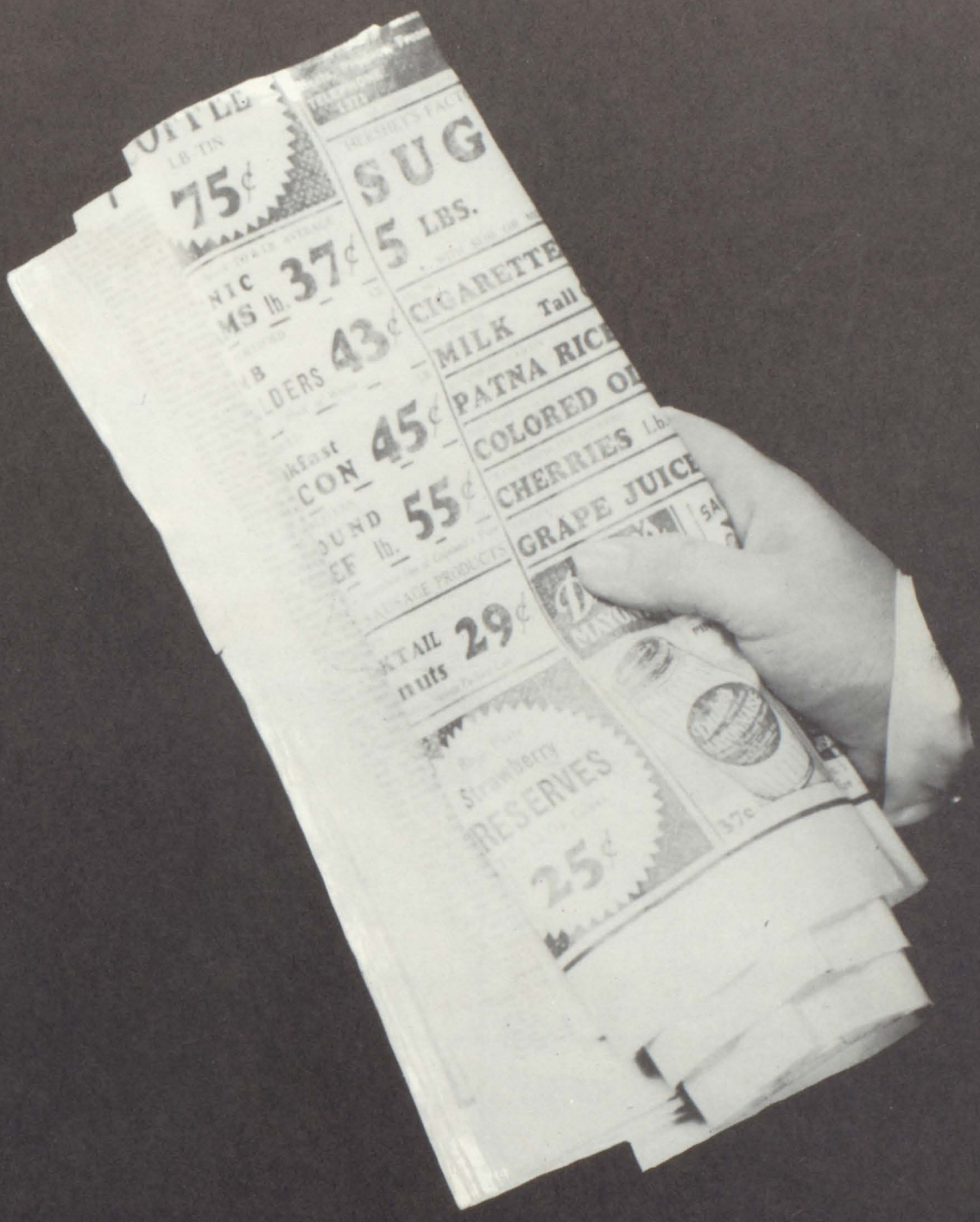

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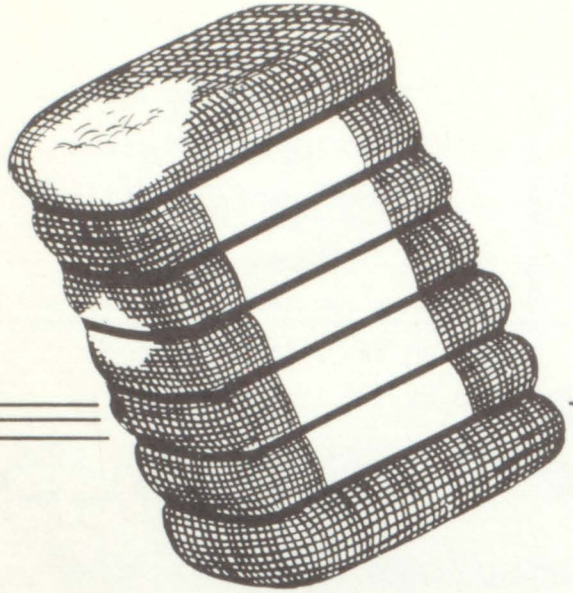

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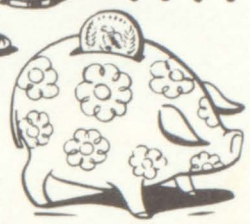
OR 

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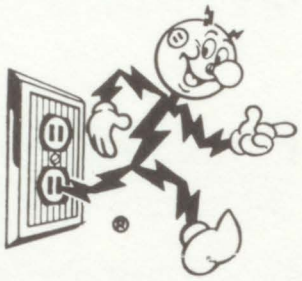

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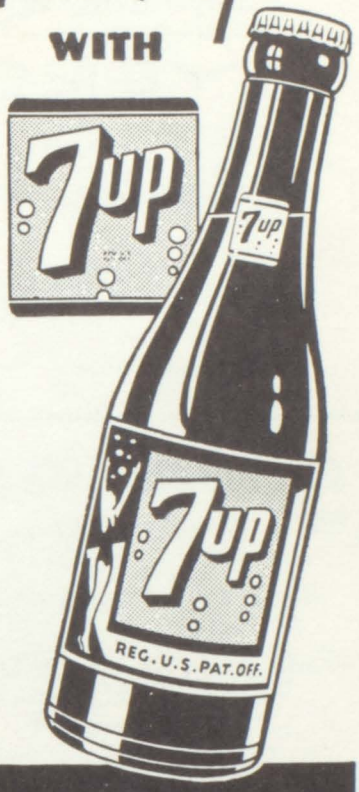

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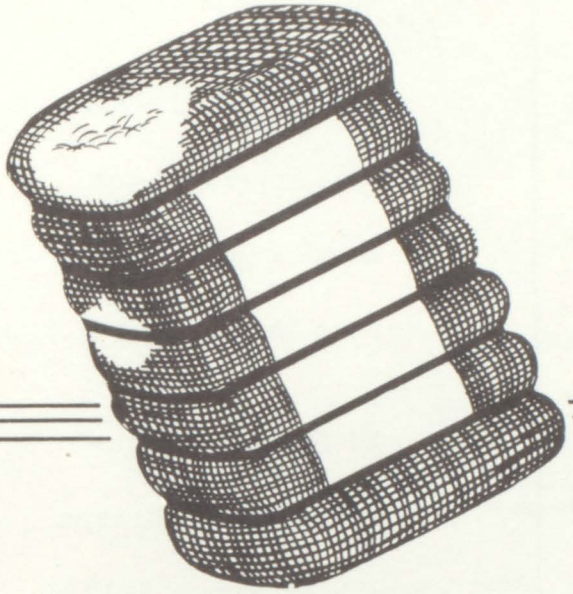

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